

HOUSE No. 1580

By Mr. Fagan of Taunton, petition of James H. Fagan and William G. Greene, Jr., relative to the definition of low or moderate income housing. Housing.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE DEFINITION OF LOW OR MODERATE INCOME HOUSING.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 20 of chapter 40B of the General Laws, as appearing in
2 the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the
3 second paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following
4 paragraph:—
5 “Low or moderate income housing,” (i) any housing subsidized
6 by the federal or state government under any program to assist the
7 construction of low or moderate income housing as defined in the
8 applicable federal or state statute, whether built or operated by
9 any public agency or any non-profit or limited dividend organiza-
10 tion, (ii) any mobile or modular homes, freestanding trailer units,
11 and units in trailer parks, (iii) any group homes in current opera-
12 tion, the primary purpose of which is to house persons receiving
13 services directly or indirectly from the department of mental
14 health, the department of mental retardation, the department of
15 social services, or any other human services-related department or
16 subdivision of the commonwealth or of the United States, and (iv)
17 the total number of section 8 vouchers, so called, issued by the
18 housing authority of that specific city or town.